



ILLINOIS COMMERCE COMMISSION

Illinois' Power Meter

Renewable Energy & the Future Energy Jobs Act

When: Wednesday, July 12, 2017

Where: ICC | 160 N. LaSalle St., Chicago, IL 60601
Main Hearing Room, 8th Floor

The Office of Acting Commissioner Sadzi Martha Oliva will host its inaugural policy session and series titled – **Illinois' Power Meter**. Illinois continues to leverage innovation to strengthen energy diversification, boost economic opportunities, and address environmental concerns. Milestone legislation like the Future Energy Jobs Act ("FEJA"), signed into law by Governor Bruce Rauner on December 7, 2016, advances these initiatives across Illinois to achieve safe, efficient, and fiscally-responsible grid modernization. Stakeholders must collectively assess strengths and anticipate challenges in order to prepare for the future. As a forum to facilitate this discussion, the policy session will focus on renewable energy sources with respect to the implementation of FEJA.

PROGRAM

11:00 AM – 11:05 AM

Welcome and Opening Remarks

Sadzi Martha Oliva, Acting Commissioner, Illinois Commerce Commission ("ICC")

11:05 AM – 12:30 PM

Illinois' Current Renewable Energy Reading & FEJA's Renewable Objectives

The panel will begin with an overview of the recently passed FEJA and its renewable energy goals. Panelists will also examine the legislation's projected effects on the wind and solar industries and the communities of Illinois. The panel will conclude with a discussion on managing and defining the reliability of renewables.

Moderator: **Azeema Akram**, Legal & Policy Advisor to Acting Commissioner Oliva, ICC

Panelists: **Anthony Star**, Director, Illinois Power Agency
MeLena Hessel, Policy Advocate, Environmental Law & Policy Center
Becky Stanfield, Senior Director, Western States, Vote Solar
Andrew Barbeau, President, The Accelerate Group

12:30 PM – 1:45 PM

Lunch Break (on your own)

1:45 PM – 3:00 PM

Integration of Renewables in Illinois, a 3D View:

Distribution & Transmission, Development of Technology, & Deference

The panel will examine the potential effect that FEJA's renewable energy goals may have on the electric power systems in the Illinois; the development of technology to help enhance those systems and embrace renewable energy integration; and the deference given to environmental policy and economic theory in this sector and how future goals can be achieved.

Moderator: **Gerardo Delgado**, Legal & Policy Advisor to Acting Commissioner Oliva, ICC

Panelists: **Shay Bahramirad**, Director, Distribution System Planning,
 Smart Grid and Innovation, ComEd
Amy Francetic, Senior Vice President, Corporate Affairs &
 New Ventures, Invenergy
Matthew R. Tomc, Director & Assistant General Counsel, Ameren
James P. Gignac, Environmental & Energy Counsel, Illinois Attorney
 General's Office